## REMARKS

Claims 1, 4 and 6-10 are pending in the present Application. Claim 1 has been amended, leaving claims 1, 4 and 6-10 for consideration upon entry of the present amendment.

Reconsideration and allowance of the claims are respectfully requested in view of the above amendment and the following remarks.

## Claim Objections

Claims 1 and 4 are objected to because of the following informalities. Independent Claim 1 appears to contain a typographical error. This claim recites, "A method of treating a surface of a substrate and for a biochemical reaction system" in lines 1 – 2. It would appear that "A method of treating a surface of a substrate for a biochemical reaction system" was intended.

Appropriate correction is requested.

Claim 1 has now been amended so that lines 1 – 2 read "A method of treating a surface of a substrate for a biochemical reaction system....". Applicants respectfully request a withdrawal of the objection and an allowance of the claims.

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It is believed that the foregoing amendments and remarks fully comply with the Office Action and that the claims herein should now be allowable to Applicants. Accordingly, reconsideration and allowance are requested.

If there are any additional charges with respect to this Amendment or otherwise, please charge them to Deposit Account No. 06-1130.

Respectfully submitted,

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